



## THE STATE TREE

Maryland has chosen for its tree the White Oak. The magnificent specimen shown here is known as the Wye Oak and is located at Wye Mills on the Eastern Shore. It is now owned by the State. (Chapter 731, Acts of 1941.)

### My Maryland.

James R. Randall.

1. The des-pot's heel is on thy shore, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land! His torch is at thy  
 2. Hark to an ex-iled son's ap-pel, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land! My Moth-er State, to  
 3. Thon wilt not cow-er in the dust, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land! Thy gleaming sword shall

tem-ple door, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land! A-venge the pa-tri-ot-ic gore That  
 thee I kneel! Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land! For life and death, for woe and weal, Thy  
 nev-er rust, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land! Re-mem-ber Car-roll's sa-cred trust, Re-

flecked the streets of Bal-ti-more, And be the bat-tle-queen of yore, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land!  
 peer-less chiv-er-ry reveal, And gird thy beauteous limbs with steel, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land!  
 member Howard's war-like thrust, And all thy slumb'ers with the just, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land!

## MARYLAND STATE SONG

The Maryland State song, "Maryland, My Maryland," was written by a Marylander who was living in the Confederacy during the War between the States. The air is not original; the words reflect the bitter feeling following the passage through Baltimore of Union troops in 1861. (Chapter 451,

## MARYLAND'S MEMORABLE DATES

### —Colonial—

Captain John Smith explored Chesapeake . . . . . June, 1608  
 Charter granted to Lord Baltimore . . . . . June 20, 1632  
 Ark and the Dove sailed from Cowes . . November 22, 1633  
 arrived St. Clements  
 (Blakistone) Island . . . . . March 25, 1634  
 Assembly passed Act of Religious Toleration . . . . . 1649  
 Capital moved from St. Mary's to Annapolis . . . . . 1694  
 King William's School (St. John's College)  
 founded in Annapolis . . . . . 1696  
 Baltimore Town established . . . . . July 30, 1729  
 Mason and Dixon survey Maryland's boundary . . . . . 1763

### —Revolutionary—

Brig Peggy Stewart—"Tea Party" . . . . . October 19, 1774  
 Formation of "Association of Freemen" . . . . . July 26, 1775  
 Maryland declares its independence . . . . . July 3, 1776  
 First Maryland Constitution adopted . . . . . November, 1776  
 Washington College, Chestertown,—chartered . . . . . 1782

### —Annapolis—Nation's Capital (1783-1784)—

Annapolis became National Capital . . . November 26, 1783  
 Washington resigned commission  
 as Commander-in-Chief  
 at the State House in Annapolis . . . December 23, 1783  
 Congress ratified Treaty of Paris ending the  
 American Revolution . . . . . January 14, 1784  
 Jefferson appointed Minister Plenipotentiary . May 7, 1784

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St. John's College, Annapolis, chartered . . . . . 1784  
 Annapolis Convention issued call for the  
 Constitutional Convention . . . . . September 11-14, 1786  
 State Convention ratified Constitution  
 of the United States at Annapolis . . . . . April 28, 1788  
 Maryland ceded District of Columbia to the United  
 States . . . . . March 30, 1791

### —War of 1812 in Maryland—

British repulsed at the Battle of North Point  
 Francis Scott Key wrote "The Star Spangled Banner"  
 during the bombardment  
 Fort McHenry, Baltimore . . . . . September 12, 1814

### —Nineteenth Century—

Work began on first railroad in America  
 (The Baltimore and Ohio) . . . . . July 4, 1828  
 Chesapeake-Delaware Canal opened . . . . . October 17, 1829  
 World's first Dental School of Surgery  
 founded in Baltimore . . . . . 1840  
 World's first telegraph line erected between Baltimore  
 and Washington . . . . . 1844  
 United States Naval Academy founded at  
 Annapolis . . . . . October 10, 1845  
 "Maryland, My Maryland" written by James Ryder  
 Randall . . . . . April 23, 1861  
 Battle of Antietam (Sharpsburg) . . . . . September 17, 1862  
 Peabody Institute—first endowed school of music  
 in United States . . . . . 1866

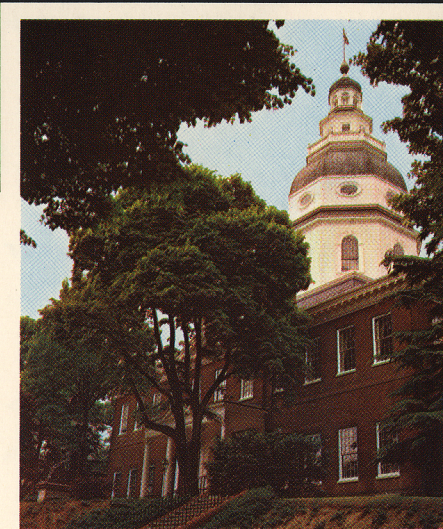
### —Twentieth Century—

Chesapeake Bay Bridge dedicated . . . . . July 30, 1952  
 First official raising of the 49 and 50 star Flags at  
 Fort McHenry . . . . . July 4, 1959-60  
 Maryland's State House designated a Registered  
 National Historic Landmark . . . . . December 19, 1960

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# MARYLAND SYMBOLS



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 State House,  
 Annapolis*



*J. Millard Tawes,  
 Governor of Maryland*